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Like the Negro who answered, when asked if he was going to France, "No sir I am going to Berlin and am stoppin' a while in France on the way" we are not thinking about a long hard winter that may be ahead of us but of the good crop that we hope is to be ours in the year to come.

The best time to begin is now preparing for the days ahead and start a bank account.

The WaKeeney State Bank

IS THE PLACE.

Service AND Good Prices

GIVE US A TRIAL ON YOUR
CREAM, EGGS, POULTRY

AT

Cash Produce Co.
GUY DeBOER, Manager

HERMAN L. SITZ

Herman L. Sitz was born June 3, 1888, on a farm near Wa-Keeney, which later became his, and at which place he departed for the spiritual world on December 13, 1918, at the age of 30 years, 6 months and 10 days.

He was raised to manhood on this place, and in 1914, was married to Miss Molly Bender, of Russell. Out of this union one son was born.

There are left to mourn his loss a wife and child, father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Sitz, of this city, three sisters and three brothers; Mrs. Chas. Boyce, of Wichita, Mrs. Rosian McKinley, of Wa-Keeney, Mrs. Pete Schneider, of Wa-Keeney, Albert Sitz, "Over There" and Edward Sitz, who is staying with his parents at present.—Hays News.

Sabbath morning at the Presbyterian church, a collection will be taken for the Armenians and Syrians. These are most worthy causes for these suffering people and should appeal to us strongly.

BATTERIES

OVERHAULED
AND
RECHARGED

ALL WORK GUARANTEED
H. C. JOHNSON
AT PICKERING'S GARAGE

P. E. KERAUS



Plumbing and Heating
Pumps, Tanks and Windmills
Fairbanks & Morse Gas
Engines and Tractors

DICTAGRAMS

Also, there was once a woman of our acquaintance who recommended desiccated angle worms, thoroughly macerated, as a cure for ague.

Because so many people have been sick recently that poor word, "ill", has been most terribly overworked.

Speaking of casualty lists: The death of Capt. Edgar Poe Trego was published in the Missouri Democrat, September 29, 1863. It was also published in the Nashville Union, October 3, 1863. Two Kansas men by the name of Trego were reported in the casualty lists last week.

The Turks persecute the Christians, the Christians persecute the Jews, and the Jews—get it in the neck. They haven't even so much as a chance to break even on the Holy Rollers.

Buy war savings stamps. This is the last chance to buy stamps of the series of 1918. A stamp which costs \$4.23 this December will be worth \$5 January 1, 1923. You can buy the series of 1919 in January for \$4.12 but they mature a year later.

When the war is really over; no more bonds or stamps to buy; no more posters to hang; no more banners to paint; no more ads to publish; no more propaganda to write; no more publicity of any kind to promulgate;

no more drives to put through; no more socks to knit and no more shirts to make; no more sweaters to sweat about; no more exams to take and no more questionnaires to worry through; no more quotas to meet and no more tops to go over—where the dickens shall we go and what shall we do to exhaust the extra energy engendered by the mighty struggle?

The sudden ending of the war has changed the plans of millions of people, and many of these changes have been not only unexpected but unsuspected and even unknown. The material for the December Worlds Work had to be re-written to be consistent with the changed condition of world-wide affairs.

MRS. O. B. GOFFE

It was the cause of unusual shock on Tuesday morning when word was received that Mrs. O. B. Goffe had died at the home of her parents in Wilson, quite late last Monday evening. Less than a week ago Mrs. Goffe had gone home to spend the Xmas holidays as had been her custom since living in Wa-Keeney and while not feeling very well when she left her home her condition was not thought to be at all serious but the dreaded influenza developed which caused other complications to arise which resulted in her death. Her passing away cast a gloom over her many friends at this place and caused wide-spread sorrow for in the three years residence of Mrs. Goffe in this city she made many friends for by her lovely character and sweet disposition she won a place in the hearts of the people who will not easily forget her.

It is a crushing blow to her husband who has the deepest sympathy of every one in his great affliction. Death has been reaping a harvest in this vicinity and this is one of the very sad cases for these young people had only been married a few years and their home life was an ideal one and the future seemed to hold much in promise for a long and happy life, but it was ordained not to be and we cannot understand but in the presence of such sorrow if it were not for a Christian hope that spans the grave and looks to the glorious life beyond it would indeed be almost unbearable.

Besides her husband she leaves a father and mother and one sister to mourn her untimely death. On Christmas Day the funeral services were held in Wilson. The world and a host of friends extend deepest sympathy.

MRS. WM. BEARDWELL

Last Sunday evening at about six thirty o'clock Mrs. Wm. Beardwell died at her home just across the Graham county line north of Wa-Keeney. Since the sudden and tragic loss of her two little daughters a few days ago Mrs. Beardwell's condition grew steadily most serious. The shock through which she passed resulted in a nervous break down with heart complications and she steadily sank until death released her. Her death was received with profound sorrow and was the culmination of one of the saddest events that has occurred in this vicinity for many years. A family completely broken up by the death of both mother and two children within a few days time, leaving the father and a baby daughter of about one year old seems indeed more than mortal can bear and Mr. Beardwell has the deepest sympathy of every one in this deep and profound sorrow. Mrs. Beardwell had many warm friends here and at Hays who learned of her death with much sorrow. She was a kindly dispos-

ition, a devoted wife and mother and her death following the loss of her little ones is sad and pathetic beyond words.

Beckie her husband she leaves two brothers and three sisters to mourn her loss. The funeral was held Christmas Day at the Presbyterian church. Rev. C. F. Weist, the Luther minister of Hays, assisted by Rev. S. L. Allison conducting the services.

MRS. WINTERS

Deadly influenza again claimed another victim when Mrs. Fred Winters died at her home Tuesday evening about six o'clock. She had only been sick about a week but pneumonia developed from which she never rallied. Mrs. Winters was one of those splendid home women who made the world better and brighter for having lived in it. She was a loving wife and mother and a splendid neighbor and was held in high esteem by all who knew her. Her death is very sad for she leaves a baby about sixteen months old who is so dependent on a mother's love and care. Mr. Winters has the sincere sympathy of every one in his great loss. As we go to press a little early we are unable to learn of the funeral arrangements. The world with many friends extend sincere sympathy to the bereaved in this sad hour.

MRS. R. A. KESSLER

On Thursday, December 19th, Mrs. R. A. Kessler died at her home northwest of town near the William Little child place after a week's illness caused by influenza, the much dreaded pneumonia developed in her with a fatal result. Mrs. Kessler was formerly Miss Lily Tegtmeyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Tegtmeyer of this city.

She was born in Trego county, February 8th, 1895 and spent most of her life here. On September 27, 1916, she was united in marriage to Robert A. Kessler. Mrs. Tegtmeyer had a host of warm friends for she was a woman of lovable traits and by her kind deeds and neighborly acts of kindness and good will won a warm place in the hearts of all who knew her. Her death brings great sorrow to her family especially her husband who is left alone, there being no children.

On Saturday, December 21st, the funeral was held at the German-Lutheran church of this city, and conducted by the pastor. The interment was made in the Wa-Keeney cemetery. The world extends deepest sympathy to the sorrowing ones.

ROLL CALL CONTINUED

On account of wide-spread sickness and very unfavorable weather Trego county has enrolled about 800 Red Cross members for 1919. The Christmas Roll Call is therefore continued to and including Saturday, January 4, 1919, by authority of Division Chairman, J. L. Johnson. Let us all get busy and "carry on." We should enroll three times 800.

J. H. Niesley,
Chairman.

KANSAS CITY MARKET REPORT

Kansas City Stock Yards, December 24th, 1918. Heavy snow disarranged train schedules and kept down the supply of stock today in addition to the drop in receipts due to the Christmas holiday tomorrow. Cattle receipts were only 2000 head, market strong and active, nothing choice offered. Hogs today 3000, market strong to 10 higher, top \$17.50. Sheep and lambs today 1000, market 10 to 15 higher, no good lambs here, best ewes \$8.85.

Beef Cattle

MARGARET SWIGGETT

Bonded Abstractor

INSURANCE

FARM LOANS

Wa-Keeney, Kansas
(Register of Deeds of Trego County Eight Consecutive Years)

All grades are going into the holiday season extra strong and without injury due to competition from poultry and game. The heavy snow over Kansas many cause a rush of wheat field cattle to market, but as most of these cattle are in the butcher grades for which there is an extra strong demand, they will probably sell well. Good weight fairly finished steers are worth up to \$18.50 and short fed steers sell at \$13.50 to \$15, these latter cattle having had only 60 to 90 days on feed and selling at a big advance over cost price. Cows are \$1.00 to \$1.50 higher than ten days ago, canners selling today around \$7.25, medium cows \$8 to \$11, and heavy cows \$12 to \$14, veals \$11 to \$13.50.

Stockers and Feeders
Demand for cattle to go on wheat fields has kept prices of stock cattle strong and sales range from \$8 to \$13.50. A good profit on short fed cattle stimulates the purchase of feeders, and prices range from \$12 to \$16. Both stockers and feeders are 25 to 50 cents higher than a week ago.

Hogs
Packers were disconcerted by the small supply today and they paid strong to 10 higher prices, most of the advance on medium grades. Best heavy hogs brought \$17.50, medium weight hogs the same, light hogs \$17.30, bulk of sales \$17 to \$17.40. The average weight here last week was 193 lbs. which was 8 lbs heavier than during the previous week. Liberal receipts are expected through January, but as the Government guaranteed price of \$17.10 for Kansas City holds good through January, at least owners are safe in adding a little weight to their hogs. Stock pigs sell at \$12.50 to \$14.

Sheep and Lambs
The ewes today at \$8.85 were good quality and weighed 121 lbs. Choice lambs would have brought \$14.65 today, and some advance in prices soon is looked for by dealers here. Some common feeding lambs sold yesterday at \$10.75, good feeders worth \$12.50 to \$13.50.

J. A. Richart,
Market Correspondent.

HOW DOES THIS FIT YOU

I read the death of a soldier boy on the bloody fields of France the other day. I knew him well. I can see his father and mother sitting in their home and gazing silently at the picture of their hero first born. I know they sat there as the big victory parade went by with all its noise and enthusiasm. I know they smiled, but I also know their eyes wandered from the parade to the service flag in the window and rested on the star of gold thereon—and tears trickled down their cheeks while the outside world was wild with joy. Their minds wandered across the blue to the sacred soil around Chateau Thierry where Liberty's pulse beat the lowest—he lies there wrapped in his undying mantle of glory. We—who have given not of our own flesh and blood—what do we know? When the committee comes around for a few miserable dollars to help the heroes over there we get out a lead pencil and figure and then sigh, "They are hitting us pretty hard and it's a little more than I can stand." To hell with us.—B. P. Walker in Osborne Farmer.

THE VULTURES ARE BUSY

The United States government has again warned the people of this country against the vultures of war, meaning thereby the shysters who seek to make money out of the distressed relatives of soldiers who have fallen in battle.

It is stated that there are a number of these shysters in this country who watch the casualty lists and then write to or visit the families of soldiers who have fallen, in an effort to get a fee by securing whatever back pay or allowance may be due the deceased. Usually they want 20 to 25 per cent of the amount recovered. There is a federal law protecting soldier's dependents so far as pensions are concerned, but these vultures of war seek to evade the law by asking to be retained to secure pay and allowance, instead of pensions. So it is to protect relatives along that line that the government now issues its warning.

The United States keeps correct accounts with all soldiers in the service. The compensation or pensions or pay due the soldier will be paid to the dependents as promptly as the claims can be adjusted. A lawyer is not necessary for the government itself will adjust all claims, and if it is necessary, a special agent will be sent to the dependant to adjust the claim.

Many of the soldiers who fell had Liberty Bonds partly paid for. The government will re-imburse the dependents for every dollar paid upon the bonds, or, if the bonds have been fully paid for, will turn them over to the proper parties. There is no reason why a dependant of a soldier should pay out a single penny to these vultures who are seeking to make them believe that unless an "attorney" or "agent" is employed, they will not get all that is coming to them.—Marysville Advocate.

Two years ago Representative McIvor introduced a bill in the legislature fixing a compulsory bounty on jack rabbits, and says it failed of passage largely because many of the members of the western part of the state, where these animals are most numerous, failed to support the measure. Recently he has received a few letters from these western members saying that they have changed their minds and again desire him to father a bill of this kind. Frank is willing to try it again providing the people of the western half of the state will get behind the measure and boost. Since Frank is an old newspaper man the newspaper boys of this part of the state should give a little publicity to his efforts, if they wish these pests exterminated.—Hoxie Sentinel.

(Go ahead, Frank, we are with you.)

WANTED

To exchange, 480 acres near Arnold, Ness county, Kansas, for land in a Russian neighborhood. Price \$17.00 per acre; improved, good house, water; will sacrifice.

W. K. Young,
Utica, Kansas.

Adv. 44 44.
For Sale—Ford Touring Car, 1917 model, in good condition. L. B. Conness. Adv. 42 2tp.

War Saving Stamps

BUY NOW—LAST CHANCE

Sale of Stamps, Series of 1918, Maturing January 1, 1923, Closes December 31, 1918